## State of Maine Department of Education

## Gifted and Talented Educational Program Application for One-Year Waiver 2017-18

Gifted and Talented Educational Program Waiver Applications are to be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:GT.DOE@maine.gov">GT.DOE@maine.gov</a> by **September 30, 2017.** 

School administrative unit name:		RSU2
Name and title of person responsible for gifted and talented program:		
Matthew Shea, Co	oordinator of Student Achievement	
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The statements made herein are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.  Bill Zima  Superintendent Name(printed)  Superintendent Signature		
Date Waiver Application Submitted to Maine DOE:  9-1-17		
Check Reason(s) for Waiver Request:		
Financial Hardship		$\square_{Other}$
Partial Program Waiver Request  X Full Program Waiver Request		X Full Program Waiver Request

Please completely describe the basis for the SAU's one-year waiver request and further describe how the SAU is meeting the needs of the gifted and talented population in your district (Use as much space as necessary):

In RSU2's proficiency-based system, learners are met at their zone of proximal development. For this reason, learners can move ahead when necessary, and can use more time when necessary. Learners who are moving ahead of their peers continue to be challenged at rigorous levels, and are grouped with peers also needing that target(s). In a truly proficiency-based system, learners move ahead when they are ready, and RSU2 has been doing this for seven years.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

**RETURN BY EMAIL TO:** 

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